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> RE: NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF CIVIL DEMAND
> MATTER: *UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE*
> *CIVIL DEMAND NO. 17-34*

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On July 5, 2017, the Department of Children and Family Services received notice via phone followed by an email regarding the attached Civil Demand issued by the USDOJ in regards to alleged violations of the False Claims Act. The demand is signed February 17, 2017, however, per speaking with USDOJ and review of an attached email; it was directed to one of our staff attorneys at the incorrect email address in June of 2017.

DCFS remains in communication with USDOJ attorneys as we filter out the proposed process, address extensions due to delays in notice, and attempt to mitigate the time frame and scope of the documents requested therein.

Our office contacted the Attorney General's office on the week before last to discuss whether this matter should be forwarded to your office for handling and we were informed that the same was not a tort and would not be handled by the Attorney General's office, but that we could provide the same as notice. We have conferred with our Director of Programs and with another state (Washington) that received the same demand to determine what modifications or adjustments USDOJ allotted in similar matters. We are prepared to share the information obtained and we enclosed the Civil Demand for your review.

DCFS reviews La. R.S. 13:5108.1(A)(1) to include such a demand issued to DCFS and ask that you review the same and advise as to whether your office will be handling the same on behalf of the agency. If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kim Glapion-Bertrand
General Counsel